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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed September 15, 2009 (Paper No. 20090824), for which a response is due on October 15, 2009. Filed herewith is a petition and fee for a one month extension, thereby extending the deadline for filling the response to November 15, 2009, which falls on a weekend. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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